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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement made in the action mailed June 2, 2009, Applicants elect Group I (i.e., claims 1-8 directed to a hollow fiber membrane) for examination. The election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to rejoin the non-elected claim (i.e., claim 9) upon allowance of the elected claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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